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SUBJECT: FOOTWEAR INDUSTRY - UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

REF: STATE 065524

1. EMBASSY IS PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE STUDY OUTLINED IN REF AND WE BELIEVE IT CAN BE COMPLETED BY MAY 5 DEADLINE. NO CHANGE IN CAP WILL BE REQUIRED. HOWEVER, WE WISH TO POINT OUT SOME SIGNIFICANT LIMITATIONS IN THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE.

2. THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT DOMESTIC SHOE INDUSTRY AND IMPORT STATISTICS ARE SCANTY. DUBAI CUSTOMS DATA (75-80 PERCENT OF IMPORTS) DIVIDE IMPORTS INTO LEATHER AND 4 NON-LEATHER CATEGORIES. ABU DHABI CUSTOMS FIGURES HAVE A SINGLE CLASSIFICATION FOR ALL FOOTWEAR BUT CUSTOMS DEPT. MAY RPT MAY BE WILLING TO PROVIDE FURTHER BREAKDOWN INTO LEATHER AND NON LEATHER IMPORTS. INFO ON PRODUCT GROUPS LISTED IN PARA 5 IS NOT AVAILABLE.

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3. MOST RECENT FIGURES READILY AVAILABLE INDICATE THAT UAE SHOE IMPORTS TOTALLED 10.8 MILLION DOLLARS IN 1975. U.S. SHARE WAS 1.5 PERCENT. MAJORITY OF LOCAL POPULATION WEARS RUBBER FOOTWEAR OR SANDALS; LEATHER SHOES (ABOUT 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS IN 1975) ARE PURCHASED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY BY WESTERN EXPATRIATE COMMUNITY. WITH SUCH A LIMITED MARKET, POST QUESTIONS JUDGMENT THAT UAE REPRESENTS QUOTE MARKET HAVING GOOD CURRENT OR FUTURE POTEN-

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